



PRESBYTERIAN TIMES



The other day, Cynthia and I went hiking at Audubon State Park. We wanted to see the wild flowers. In the picture on the right, there were these beautiful tiny flowers everywhere. May is in the heart of Spring. I love to see all the flowers rising up all around Henderson.

When I read the following verse about the woman who anointed Jesus with costly perfume, I am reminded of the beauty that comes sprouting out of this Scripture.



***Mark 14:3** While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head.*

Not much is known about this woman. However, when we look at this text, we see the woman's actions were a tender act toward Jesus. Whether she knew it or not, the faithfulness of the woman should be recognized in the following ways.

First, Mark sandwiches the woman's story in the midst of the ugliness of verses 1-2, and verses 10-11. In the first two verses, the chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus and kill him. They were afraid to act because many people were in Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover. In the last two verses 10-11, Judas plots with the chief priests to betray him for money. The religious leaders did not have to look any further because Judas came to them and offered to betray Jesus. In the middle is this "ugly sandwich" the flower of the story is where Jesus is tenderly anointed by this woman. Beauty is found in the midst of ugliness.

Second, Jesus says, "She has done a good service for me." (v. 6) For half of the Gospel of Mark, Jesus has been preparing the disciples, that he was to be turned over to the religious leaders, for his arrest and death. Unaware, the woman pouring perfume over the head of Jesus was actually preparing him for his death and burial. The woman here was integral to helping Jesus communicate about his death and resurrection.

Third, Jesus uses the anointing to teach that her adoration, love, worship is the most important aspect of faith. The men in the story were disgusted with with the waste of the perfume and that it could have been sold for benevolent purposes. Jesus corrects the men by saying that she has done something greater than acts of benevolence. Loving and adoring Jesus in the present moment is more valuable than the pressing needs of the poor.

This quiet, unknown woman is an example of a person getting it right while all around her men are getting it wrong. Thank you Lord for the women in our lives for they are beautiful in your eyes.

Blessings, Pastor Eric

Our Vision: KNOW Christ, GROW in Faith, SOW the love of Christ, GO where God calls.

May Birthdays



05/02 Will Hardy
05/06 Rick Posey
05/13 Stephen Dickinson
05/15 Scott Mioduszewski
05/16 Cj Maple
05/25 Nib King, Jr.

May Anniversaries

05/15 Paul and Pam Moore

Henderson Christian Community Outreach

We will be collecting shaving cream and razors for HCCO during the month of May.

We collected 51 cans of deodorant during the month of April!



Thank you for your generous support of this organization!



The sanctuary looked beautiful on Easter Sunday. Thank you to everyone who purchased a lily!



If you are not able to attend our worship services in person you can view the services online by going to our website www.preschurchky.org



or on our Facebook page at [Facebook.com/PreschurchHenderson](https://www.facebook.com/PreschurchHenderson)



Please wear **RED** on Sunday, May 23rd in observance of Pentecost Sunday

GROUNDBREAKING

Henderson Christian Community Outreach held a ground breaking ceremony on April 2nd at 509 Fifth Street. Rev. Eric Hoey offered the Prayer of Dedication, Dr. Pat Lake - Board President (7th from left) and Tom Mioduszewski - Board Treasurer (3rd from left) helped break the ground!



Many thanks to church members Cindy Thweatt and Lucy Williams and others who also regularly help with this ministry.

The Handbell Choir was able to share special music on Easter Sunday.



Ruth Clum, Cynthia Hoey
Lucy Williams, Susan Thomas
and our inspiring leader Kristin Jones



Gary Thomas, Walt Dickinson,
Tom Mioduszewski and Wayne Jones

Grand Piano Fund

A special fund has been started to raise money to purchase a grand piano for the sanctuary. The fund currently has \$1,050.

You can make your contribution in honor or memory of someone.

If you would like to contribute please make sure your donation indicates "Piano Fund."





Come join the Presbyterian Women as they celebrate the gift of the church on May 3rd at 10:30 am.

We are so excited to spend some time together and catch up on the news of our families and friends while we recognize the beginnings of our church here on this corner.

Please feel free to bring any yearbooks or memorabilia you have about the church to this meeting for others to see!

Also, you will be hearing about some exciting plans for us for the summer and fall as we dig our way out of this pandemic as safely and quickly as we can.

Lunch will be prepared for us and \$5 dollars per person will cover the cost.

Please RSVP to Betty at 270-860-2168 or call the church office.

Feel free to bring any interested (or interesting lol) men to this meeting. We'd love to have them or any guests you'd like to bring!

Council will meet prior to this meeting at 9:30 am in the library!

The flowers in the sanctuary during the month of May are provided by

Pat Sale and Lucy Williams



Due to the generous donation to our dental fund, all donations to the First Sunday Benevolence goes to the Henderson Christian Community Outreach.



We have weekly Sunday School class opportunities to learn and grow available for all ages. Sunday School begins at 9:00 am. Please join us!

The Adult Sunday School Class uses "The Wired Word" to look at current issues in our world and draw biblical application from scripture. The in person class is led by Tom Mioduszowski. This class is also available via Zoom (Meeting ID: 959 5801 9748, Passcode: 144400). If you have any questions about the Zoom Meeting please contact Pastor Eric.

The Youth (Middle/High School) class is led by Walt Dickinson and the Children have a fun and interactive class led by Helen Posey.



An Easter Egg Hunt was enjoyed by all of the children on Easter Sunday!



The kids got a special Easter Egg labeled "Seek and You Shall Find" ... and inside was a fun craft which made a cross.

Jesus' Love....
The best Easter treat of all!



A special thanks to Cynthia Hoey for making the Easter Egg Hunt so nice for the children. And to her helpers Evonda Dickinson and Cynthia Thweatt for helping to stuff over 400 eggs with candy!



BACK TO CHOIR PARTY

Singers and Ringers: on Thursday, May 13th please join us for a time of fellowship and making music together!

We will break our 'quarantine' of rehearsals by meeting at 6:30 for handbells (in the gym) and 7:30 for Chancel Choir (in the choir room).

While we share some refreshments, we will discuss the worship schedule for the months of May and June as well as doing some ringing and singing.

Then, beginning Wednesday, May 19th we will meet weekly until Wednesday, June 23rd.

If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Jones. Thanks!

The Presbytery of Western Kentucky will be holding a meeting here at the church on Tuesday, May 11th.

We will be providing lunch for the meeting. If you would like to volunteer to help serve from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm please contact the church office.



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